

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF CERTIFICATION OF  
WASTEWATER SYSTEM OPERATORS  
MINUTES  
September 15, 2009**

The following are minutes of the Kentucky Board of Certification of Wastewater System Operators held September 15, 2009 at the Division of Compliance Assistance in Frankfort, Kentucky.

**Board Members Present**

David Pedigo, Chairman  
Gary Epperson  
Dr. Andrew Ernest  
Dennis Gumbert  
Aaron Keatley, Cabinet Representative

**Others**

Lisa Butler, Division of Compliance Assistance (DCA)  
Julia Kays, DCA  
Clem Wethington, Kentucky Rural Water Assoc.

**I. Call to Order**

Dave Pedigo called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

**II. Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the August 18, 2009 minutes was entered by Dennis Gumbert. Gary Epperson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**III. New Business**

- A. Training Application Reviews – Addendum 1
- B. Exam Requests – Addendum 2
- C. A motion to release today's training actions was made by Andrew Ernest. Dennis Gumbert seconded the motion and the motion carried.
- D. Dave Pedigo entered a motion to approve the request to amend an instructor for training request number 7375 by KWWOA. Andrew Ernest seconded the motion and the motion carried.
- E. Dave Pedigo entered a motion to approve the request to amend the instructor for training request number 7372 by Kentucky Rural Water. Andrew Ernest seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**IV. Communications**

- A. Lisa distributed the August 2009 financial statement
- B. Julia Kays told the board members that the attorney for Charles Keith's case contacted the cabinet and said Mr. Keith was willing to negotiate to settle the case.
- C. Julia also informed the board that she will be sending a letter to wastewater facilities explaining the new collection system requirements.
- D. Julia informed the board that modification will be made to eSearch so the operators will see what hours are available for the current renewal cycle and that the program will be able to add outside vendor training rosters on line.
- E. Aaron Keatley discussed the division's annual report. Some of the highlights of the report were: the Certification and Licensing Branch is fully staffed, there are approximately 1,500 certified operators, the branch held 50 classes, the changes to the wastewater operator certification regulations went through, the drinking water operator regulation changes are

still in the process of being reviewed and 80% of the wastewater license renewals were completed on line. Dave Pedigo asked if there had been any backlash against the fee increases. Julia said she had only received a handful. Dave asked if after January 1, 2010 will the inspectors conducting inspections be looking for collection system certificates? Aaron said they would. Dave also asked about the display of the collection system operator's certificate. Julia said the regulations say if a system office is available at the wastewater treatment plant or within the sewer service area the certificate shall be prominently displayed on the wall.

**V. Adjournment**

Dennis Gumbert entered a motion to adjourn the board meeting. Andrew Ernest seconded the motion and the motion carried. The board adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

## Training Requests

Request Number	Provider Name	Name of Training	Date of Training	WW Hours Requested	WW Board Comments	WW 1st	WW 2nd	WW Motion passed	WW hours approved	WW TCH #
1311	United Rentals Trench Safety	(CPT) Excavation Safety for Competent Person (OSHA 1926 subpart P)	9/15/2009	6.25	Subtracted 15 min. for breaks	GE	DG	X	6	7452
1312	United Rentals Trench Safety	(CSE) Confined Space Entry (OSHA 1910.146)	9/15/2009	6.25	Subtracted 15 min. for breaks	GE	DG	X	6	7453
1314	Western Chapter KWWOA	WKWWOA Wastewater Operator Training	9/30/2009	6.0		GE	DG	X	6	7455
1320	Water Environment Federation	WEFTEC 2009 - 82nd Annual Technical Exhibition and Conference	10/10/2009	29.5	All allowed except those that don't meet core content. Marked on agenda.	DG	GE	X	29.5	7463
1324	Ky. Rural Water Assoc.	H2O-XPO	10/6/2009	12.75	Approved sessions as noted.	DP	GE	X	12.75	7476

## Exam Requests

Request #	Name	AI #	Date Received by DCA	Application Type	If Reciprocity State & Current Certification	Status: Approved, Conditional Approval, Denied)	Comments	1st	2nd	Motion Carried
82	Justin Metz	76215	8/12/2009	IV Treatment		Approved		DG	GE	X
83	Elliott Turner	31913	8/17/2009	IV Collection		Approved		DG	GE	X
84	Kenneth D. Hogsten Jr.	84369	8/19/2009	IV Treatment		Approved		DG	GE	X
85	Calvin E. Rodgers	77314	8/19/2009	IV Treatment		Approved		AE	DG	X
86	James R. Dant	30333	9/11/2009	IV Collection		Approved		AE	GE	X